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FADE IN:

EXT. KOLONIYA, RUSSIA - DAY - 1994

A SNOWY LANDSCAPE. A SMALL TOWN NESTLED AMONG PINE TREES.

INT. SMALL APARTMENT - DAY

A baby cries. DMITRY BUTERIN (30s) holds newborn VITALIK in his arms. He smiles at his wife.

DMITRY

He'll be different. Special.

CUT TO:

INT. TORONTO CLASSROOM - DAY - 2004

Vitalik, now 10, scribbles MATH EQUATIONS faster than the teacher can speak. Students glance at him in awe.

TEACHER

Vitalik, maybe let others catch up?

Vitalik doesn't respond. He's deep in thought.

MONTAGE -- GROWING UP WITH CODE

-- Vitalik at a computer, late nights, stacks of books.

-- Young Vitalik building his first software.

-- Joining a cryptography forum.

-- First article for Bitcoin Magazine.

INT. BEDROOM - TORONTO - NIGHT - 2013

Vitalik stares at the screen, his fingers tremble slightly as he types.

VITALIK

What if... we make something more than money?

INSERT: White paper title -- "Ethereum: A Next-Generation Smart Contract and Decentralized Application Platform."

INT. CAFE IN SAN FRANCISCO - DAY

Vitalik meets with a small group -- GAVIN WOOD, CHARLES HOSKINSON, MIHAI ALISIE, and others.

VITALIK

Let's build it. Ethereum.

They look at each other, uncertain, then nod.

MONTAGE -- ETHEREUM LAUNCH

-- Hackathons. Sleeping in sleeping bags.

-- Coding marathons.

-- ETH logo taking shape.

-- Vitalik in a hoodie giving a speech at Devcon 0.

INT. CONFERENCE HALL - DEVCON 1 - DAY

The room is packed. Vitalik, still awkward, speaks confidently.

VITALIK

Ethereum is not just a currency. It's a platform for anything.

INT. LUXURY HOTEL ROOM - NIGHT

Vitalik reads news of DAO HACK.

INSERT: "$50 Million stolen from Ethereum-based DAO."

He puts his head in his hands.

VITALIK

This... this could destroy everything.

INT. CALL WITH CORE TEAM - NIGHT

Arguments. Tension.

CHARLES HOSKINSON

We can't fork. We need to let the system run its course.

VITALIK

If we let it go... who will trust us again?

INT. BEDROOM - NIGHT

Vitalik, alone, opens terminal.

VITALIK

We fork.

INT. INTERNET CAFE IN KENYA - DAY

People use Ethereum wallets. A young girl pays school fees via DApp.

LOCAL TEACHER

This changed lives.

INT. BERLIN CONFERENCE - NIGHT

Vitalik walks through a crowd, hood up, barely noticed. Someone stops him.

RANDOM DEVELOPER

You saved Web3.

VITALIK

(smiling)

We're just getting started.

INT. ETH FOUNDATION OFFICE - 2022

Vitalik watching the charts. Merge countdown begins.

EXT. ONLINE STREAM - NIGHT

Cheers erupt. Ethereum has transitioned to proof-of-stake.

INT. PODCAST STUDIO - DAY

Vitalik speaks with host.

VITALIK

Yes, we're afraid of the Solana flippening. Their memecoins are wild.

Everything's a meme now. Even a dwarf fart can become a memecoin.

The host laughs. So does Vitalik.

INT. TOKYO - NIGHT

Vitalik alone, eating ramen. A kid walks up.

KID

Are you the Ethereum guy?

Vitalik nods.

KID

Thanks for making the internet... fun again.

Vitalik smiles.

FADE OUT.

SUPER: "Vitalik continues to lead Ethereum with vision, humility, and humor."

FADE TO BLACK.

(TO BE CONTINUED...)

[This script continues with more scenes of growth, decentralization, geopolitical tension, regulation, AI integration, and the evolution of Vitalik's philosophical views.]